

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 147 - HB 261

February 7, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Recreates the Judicial Council and subjects it to sunset review. Schedules the Council to terminate on June 30, 2013. Removes the previous requirement that the standing committee must consider the Council's proposed amendment to a bill before making a recommendation on the bill. Removes the Council's previous authority to review and comment on bills that do not concern creation or reallocation of a judgeship, district attorney general, assistant district attorney general, public defender, assistant public defender or staff for these offices.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The Judicial Council went into sunset on June 30, 2009, and ceased to exist on June 30, 2010. The proposed bill reestablishes the Council. According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, the FY10-11 budget was not reduced to reflect the reduction in expenditures resulting from the Council ceasing to exist. There will be no increase in state expenditures to reestablish the Council.

Assumption:

- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, in FY09-10, the Council had expenditures of approximately \$1,000 for mileage, parking reimbursement, and printing costs.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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